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1. MR. FEDOR SHPOTA, COMMERCIAL COUNSELOR OF THE SOVIET EMBASSY IN WELLINGTON, IN A TALK AT MASSEY UNIVERSITY, EXPRESSED THE DESIRE OF THE USSR TO HELP NZ DEVELOP ITS STEEL, COAL AND GAS INDUSTRIES.

2. MR. SHPOTA POINTED OUT THAT NZ EXPORTS TO THE USSR HAVE INCREASED 24 FOLD SINCE 1963 WHILE SOVIET EXPORTS TO NZ HAD EXPANDED SIX TIMES.

3. SHPOTA SAID THE USSR COULD HELP NZ MODERNIZE ITS STEEL INDUSTRY BY SUPPLYING HOT AND COLD-ROLLING MILLS, ELECTRICAL FURNACES AND OTHER SPECIAL EQUIPMENT.

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4. RUSSIA HAD ADVANCED COAL TECHNOLOGY WHICH COULD BE USED TO HELP INCREASE NZ COAL PRODUCTION. SHPOTA SAID OPEN CAST AS WELL AS UNDERGROUND COAL MINING MACHINERY COULD BE SUPPLIED BY THE USSR.

5. AMONG OTHER FIELDS OF RUSSIAN EXPERTISE MENTIONED

BY SHPOTA WERE FORESTRY, AND FISHING. THE SOVIET UNION, HE
SAID, WAS READY TO STUDY THE POSSIBILITY OF SIGNING AN AGREE-
MENT ON CO-OPERATION IN FISHING AND TO ESTABLISH A JOINT
FISHING COMPANY. NZ WOULD THUS DEVELOP ITS FISHING INDUSTRY
AND INCREASE TRADE.
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